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Coker's Pedigreed Seed Company

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Secretary of Agriculture

AN APPLICATION REQUESTING A CERTIFICATE OF PROTECTION FOR AN ALLEGED NOVEL VARIETY OF SEXUALLY REPRODUCED PLANT, THE NAME AND DESCRIPTION OF WHICH ARE CONTAINED IN THE APPLICATION AND EXHIBITS, A COPY OF WHICH IS HEREUNTO ANNEXED AND MADE A PART HEREOF, AND THE VARIOUS REQUIREMENTS OF LAW IN SUCH CASES MADE AND PROVIDED HAVE BEEN COMPLIED WITH, AND THE TITLE THERETO IS, FROM THE RECORDS OF THE PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION OFFICE, IN THE APPLICANT(S) INDICATED IN THE SAID COPY, AND WHEREAS, UPON DUE EXAMINATION MADE, THE SAID APPLICANT(S) IS (ARE) ADJUDGED TO BE ENTITLED TO A CERTIFICATE OF PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION UNDER THE LAW.

NOW, THEREFORE, THIS CERTIFICATE OF PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION IS TO GRANT UNTO THE SAID APPLICANT(8) AND THE SUCCESSORS, HEIRS OR ASSIGNS OF THE SAID APPLI-CANT(S) FOR THE TERM OF seventeen YEARS FROM THE DATE OF THIS GRANT, SUBJECT TO THE PAYMENT OF THE REQUIRED FEES AND PERIODIC REPLENISHMENT OF VIABLE BASIC SEED OF THE VARIETY IN A PUBLIC REPOSITORY AS PROVIDED BY LAW, THE RIGHT TO EX-DE OTHERS FROM SELLING THE VARIETY, OR OFFERING IT FOR SALE, OR REPRODUCING IT, SPORTING IT, OR EXPORTING IT, OR USING IT IN PRODUCING A HYBRID OR DIFFERENT THEREFROM, TO THE EXTENT PROVIDED BY THE PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION ACT.

Inited States seed of this variety (1) shall be sold by variety name only as CERTIFIED SEED AND (2) SHALL CONFORM TO THE NUMBER OF GENERATIONS THE OWNER OF THE RIGHTS. (84 STAT. 1542, AS AMENDED, 7 U.S.C. 2321 ET SEQ.)

COTTON

'Coker 304'

In Testimony Wathercot, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Blaut Tariety Protection Office to be affixed

at the City of Washington

this 21st day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand nine

hundred and seventy-eight

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GRAIN DIVISION
PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION OFFICE
NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL LIBRARY
BELTSVILLE, MARYLAND 20705

APPLICATION FOR PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION CERTIFICATE

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C	oker's Pedigreed Seed Co.	P. O.B	•		803-332-7531
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Q.	RGANIZATION: (Corporation, partnership, a	esociation, etc.)	DATE OF INCOR	PORATION	PORATION
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W [Plant Variety Protectio	n Office.)
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14A.	Does the applicant(s) specify that seed (See Section 83(a). (If "Yes;" answer	d of this variety	be sold by variety name celow.)	only as a class of certifi	ed seed?
14B.	Does the applicant(s) specify that this limited as to number of generations?	s variety be	14C. If "Yes," to 14B, h breeder seed?	now many generations	of production beyond 1-Year
	X	YES NO	X FOUNDATION	X REGISTERED	**CERTIFIED
15.	Does the applicant(s) agree to the pul		ner (their) name(s) and ad	dress in the Official Jo	
					X YES NO
16.	The applicant(s) declare(s) that a vial a certificate and will be replenished p	eriodically in ac-	cordance with such tegula	azione as may be applic	câble.
	The undersigned applicant(s) is (are variety is distinct, uniform, and stattion 42 of the Plant Variety Act.	the owner(s) of the as required in	of this sexually reproduce n Section 41, and is entire	ed novel plant variety, fled to protection und	and believe(s) that the
	Applicant(s) is (are) informed that fall	se representation	n herein can jeopprelize fi	rotection and result in	peralties.
	December 23, 1976		ULOU	AL VIL LO	ICANT)
	(to)		Rob	ert R. Coker, I	President
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13 A. EXHIBIT A, ORIGIN AND BREEDING HISTORY OF VARIETY - COKER 304

Stage	Year	Activity
1	1948	Cross; Coker 100 Staple X Deltapine 15.
2	1950-1959	Line selection program thru successive generations produced the strain Coker 60-111.
3	1960-1966	Line selection in Coker 60-111 produced the strain Coker 66-115, later named Coker 310.
4	1966-1968	Line selection in Coker 66-115 produced the strain Coker 68-304, now named Coker 304.
5	1968-1974	Coker 68-304 evaluated in replicated yield trials and disease screening trials across the Cotton Belt. Concurrent seed increase was accomplished to produce breeder seed during the 1975 season in South Carolina. Continued reselection within Coker 68-304 has produced maintenance strains which will be used to produce breeder seed in years ahead.
6	1976	Produced Foundation seed of Coker 304 under contract in North Carolina for distribution to farmers for 1977 plantings.

Variants: Occasional variants are to be found in any cotton variety due to frequency of natural cross pollination. However these are at a minimum in Coker 304 due to the long period of selection and reselection and relatively high degree of homozygosity.

EXHIBIT A.

Application for Plant Variety Protection
Coker 304 Cotton Variety
Coker's Pedigreed Seed Company
December 22, 1976

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SUPPLIMENT TO EXHIBIT "A", COTTON APPLICATION NO. 7700024, "COKER 304"

SUBJECT: VARIETY STABILITY:

As stated in original Exhibit A, Coker 304 is highly stable genetically due to a prolonged and intensive period of pure line selection.

We have not observed significant variants and are confident that this variety meets all requirements for stability in accord with inspection approvals by Coker's production personnel and various State Seed Certification agencies.

Application for Plant Variety Protection Coker's Pedigreed Seed Company

August 15, 1977

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13 B. EXHIBIT B, NOVELTY STATEMENT OF COKER 304 COTTON VARIETY

Novelty of Coker 304, is based on the following unique characters or combination of characters which are highly significant in the economics of Cotton production in the primary areas of adaptation of Coker 304.

Coker 304 most closely resembles Coker 310, except that it is characterized by:

- 1. Increased earliness of maturity to the extent of approximatley 4 days earlier harvest, or about 4% higher first picking percentage.
- 2. Gin Turnout or fiber percentage of Coker 304, averages 1 11/2 percentage points higher than Coker 310.
- 3. This increase in earliness and fiber percentage in Coker 304 is attained without sacrifice of the superior combination of yield and overall quality which characterizes the Coker 310 family, from which Coker 304 is derived.

3-YEAR PERFORMANCE SUMMARY, REPLICATED COTTON YIELD TRIALS, COKER'S PEDIGREED SEED COMPANY, HARTSVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA, 1974-76

Variety	Lint Yields (lbs/A)	Gin Turnout (%)	First 1/ Picking (%)	Fiber Strength (Mpsi)
1. Coker 310	865	38.9	77	85
2. Coker 304	900	40.1	81	87

^{1/} Earliness data expressed as % first picking is generally translated directly into days difference in maturity.

Note: Plant height data originally shown as a novel character was not available for the entire three year period so was deleated from Exhibit B.

Henry W. Webb

Director Cotton Division

EXHIBIT B. (Revised August 17, 1977) Application for Plant Variety Protection Coker 304 Cotton Variety Coker's Pedigreed Seed Company

COKER'S PEDIGREED SEED COMPANY HARTSVILLE, S. C.

THREE YEAR DATA SUMMARY, HARTSVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA, 1974-76

G	i <u>n</u> Turnou	t - %		
1974	1975	1976	Average	
39.5	39.5	37.6	38.9	
41.3	41.1	37.9	40.1	
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	<u>Ea</u>	rliness: F	irst Pick	ting - %	
Variety	1974	1975	1976	Average	
Coker 310	75	75	82	77	
Coker 304	80	79	83	81	

COKER'S PEDIGREED SEED COMPANY HARTSVILLE, S.C.

EARLINESS COMPARISONS OF COKER 304, COKER 310 AND OTHER COKER VARIETIES FROM COKER'S VARIETY TEST, HARTSVILLE, S.C., 1974-1976

Table I:	EARLINESS: PERCENT FIRST PICKING							
	19	974	197		197		Aver	age
Variety	Loc1	Loc-2	Loc1	Loc2	Loc1	Loc2	Percent	Diff. (%)
Coker 304	84.8	77.1	81.3	75.9	76.3	87.8	80.6	
Coker 310	83.0	69.5	78.6	73.1	73.8	84.5	77.1	-3. 5
Coker 417	82.2	73.0	78.4	73.0	75.4	86.0	78.0	-2. 6
Coker 201	82.8	72.2	78.0	78.0	70.7	84.5	77.7	-2.9
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C.V. %							$2.84 \\ 2.13$	

Table II:	EARLINESS: YIELD LINT FIRST PICKING (lbs./					./Acre)		
	19'		1	75	197			rage
Variety	Loc1	Loc2	Loc1	Loc2	Loc1	Loc2	lbs./A	Diff. (lbs.
Coker 304	1028	574	831	515	840	865	776	
Coker 310	920	473	751	455	821	887	718	-58
Coker 417	835	478	739	483	767	794	683	-93
Coker 201	905	444	750	467	648	876	682	-94
L.S.D05							54 75	
C.V. %				١			6.1	ı

Note: Each location illustrated in above data consisted of four to six replications.

July 11, 1978

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE GRAIN DIVISION

(Cotton)

HYATTSVILLE, MARYLAND 20782

OBJECTIVE DESCRIPTION OF VARIETY

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COTTON (GOSSYPIOM SPF.)	FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY
NSTRUCTIONS: See Reverse.	PYPO NUMBER
TAME OF APPLICANT(S)	- l
Coker's Pedigreed Seed Co. ADDRESS (Street and No. or R.F.D. No., City, State, and ZIP Code)	VARIETY NAME OR TEMPORARY DESIGNATION
	Coker 304
P. O. Box 340	(C-68-304 or C-8304)
Hartsville, S.C.	the boxes below.
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SPECIFS:	
2 = GOSSYPIUM BARBADENSE	
2. AREA(S) OF ADAPTION (0 = Not Tested, 1 = Not Adapted, 2 = Adapted):	Γ ⁻],
2. AREA(S) OF ADAPTION (U = NO.	HIGH PLAINS
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3. MATURITY (50% Open Boll):	2 = DELTAPINE 16 3 = STONEVILLE 213
	6 = ACALA SJ-1
\ <u></u> \	8 = OTHER (Specify)
NO. OF DAYS LATER THAN 7 = LANKART 57	
	1 = FOLIAGE SPARSE 2 = DENSE
4. PLANT HABIT: 3 = COMPACT	3 = OTHER (Specify) Med. dense
2 1 = SPREADING 2 = INTERMEDIATE 3 = COMPACT	= 213
5. PLANT HEIGHT: 1 = COKER 310	2 = DELTAPINE 16 3 = STONEVILLE 213
	1 5 = ACALA 1517-70 6 = ACALA SJ-1
	8 = OTHER (Specify)
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3 1 = LAX 2 = ASCENDING 1 = G	LABROUS (HAIRS AS SPARSE AS D ₂ SMOOTH) 3 = PUBESCENT (STONEVILLE 213)
7. LEAF:	F) 3 = PUBESCENT NOTE OF THE PERSON NOTE OF THE PER
A WIDEST LEAVES 3	OTHER (Specify)
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9. LEAF COLOR: 2 = LIGHT GREEN 3 = DARK GREEN (A	
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11. FLOWER:	
2 1 = NECTARILESS 2 = NECTARIED	
2 Puller 1 = CREAM	2 = YELLOW 3 = Mixed
1 Petals: 1 = CREAM 2 = YELLOW 3 Pollen: 1 - CREAM	
12. FRUITING BRANCH TYPE:	2 = INDETERMINATE 3. Intermediate
13 1 = DETERMINATE	2 = INDETERMINATE 0. III002
3 1 = CLUSTER 2 = SHORT 3 = NORMAL	1 = NORMAL BUD GOSSYPOL 7
13. GOSSYPOL CONDITION: 2 = REDUCED GLANDS 3 = NORMAL GLANDS	1 2 = HIGH BUD GOSSYPOL
1 = GLANDLESS 2 = REDUCED GLAND	
1 = SPAR	SE (GREGG 35) 2 = MODERATE (DPL-16) MOdH
	/Y (ACALA SJ-1) 4 = OTHER (Specify) MOCH
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ASSIGNMENT OF PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION CERTIFICATES

WHEREAS, COKER'S PEDIGREED SEED COMPANY, a South Carolina corporation ("Coker's"), having its offices at 900 Darlington Highway, Hartsville, South Carolina 29550, has adopted and used and is the sole and exclusive owner of certain United States Plant Variety Protection Certificates and similar rights under laws of countries other than the United States as listed in Exhibit A hereto:

WHEREAS, COKER'S PEDIGREED SEED CO. and NORTHRUP KING CO., a Delaware corporation ("NK"), have entered into an Asset Purchase Agreement, dated July 20, 1988, providing for the purchase and sale of substantially all of the assets and business of Coker's and the assumption of certain of Coker's liabilities and obligations by NK; and

WHEREAS, NK desires to acquire the right, title and interest in, to and under the Plant Variety Protection Certificates listed on Exhibit A hereto and the pending applications hereto (collectively, the "Plant Variety Protection Certificates").

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, Coker's hereby sells, assigns, transfers and sets over to NK the Plant Variety Protection Certificates. Coker's further agrees, at no cost to it, to execute and deliver to NK, upon the request of NK, any further instrument of assignment that may be necessary to effectuate the transfer of each Plant Variety Protection Certificate.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Coker's has caused this instrument to be executed by its duly authorized representative as of the 20th day of July, 1988.

COKER'S PEDIGREED SEED COMPANY

By: E. Joe Dahmer President

STATE OF MINNESOTA)

COUNTY OF HENNEPIN)

On this and day of July, 1988, before me, a Notary Public in and for the County aforesaid, the undersigned officer, E. Joe Dahmer, personally appeared and acknowledged himself to be the President of Coker's Pedigreed Seed Co., and that he executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein.

WITNESS my hand and seal this 30 day of July, 1988.



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Winter Oat Varieties

Variety Name	U.S. Plant Variety Certificate Number	Issue Date	Term (Yrs.)
Coker 227	7 500007	Oct. 20, 1977	17
Coker 716	7900003	Dec. 28, 1978	17
Coker 820	8400059	June 30, 1987	18
Coker 234	7500008	Oct. 26, 1977	17
Four Twen	ty Two 7700085	Apr. 12, 1979	17
Big Mac	8200121	Aug. 19, 1982	18
Mesquite	8200122	Aug. 19, 1982	18
	<u>Tobacco V</u>	<u>arieties</u>	
Coker 347	72022	Oct. 27, 1976	17
Coker 411	72023	Oct. 27, 1976	17
Coker 86	7600004	Oct. 27, 1976	17
Coker 48	7800008	Sept. 20, 1978	17
Coker 51	8100048	Feb. 18, 1982	18
Coker 176	8300056	Sept. 29, 1983	18
Coker 206	8500040	Apr. 30, 1986	18
Coker 371	Gold 8700049	Sept. 30, 1987	18
	Cotton V	<u>'arieties</u>	
Coker 310	7100021	Jan. 18, 1974	17
Coker 304	7700024	Dec. 21, 1978	17
Coker 420	7900087	Jan. 29, 1980	17
Coker 315	8000087	Dec. 18, 1980	17

ASSIGNMENT OF FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC PATENTS AND PLANT VARIETY REGISTRATIONS AND PROTECTION CERTIFICATES

WHEREAS, NORTHRUP KING CO., a Delaware corporation, doing business at 7500 Olson Memorial Highway, Golden Valley, Minnesota 55427 ("ASSIGNOR"), owns, is licensed to or otherwise has the right to use the cotton seed lines listed in Schedule 1.2 hereto (the "Varieties") and in the germplasm related to the Varieties and in other cotton seed strains and germplasm in the United States and abroad (the "Germplasm") for which patents, plant variety protection certificates, breeder's rights certificates, seed registrations, seed certifications (collectively, the "Applications") have been filed in the United States and abroad.

AND WHEREAS, STONEVILLE PEDIGREED SEED COMPANY, a Mississippi corporation doing business at Old Leland Road, Stoneville, Mississippi 38776 ("ASSIGNEE") desires to acquire the entire right, title and interest in and to the Varieties and the Germplasm and the said Applications:

NOW THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNOR, does hereby acknowledge that ASSIGNOR has sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents does hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title and interest throughout the world in, to and under the said Applications, and the said Applications and all divisions, renewals and continuations thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted thereon and all reissues and extensions thereof, and all rights of priority under International Conventions and applications for Letters Patent which have been and may hereafter be filed for the Varieties or the Germplasm in any country or countries foreign to the United States, and all Letters Patent which may be granted for the Varieties or the Germplasm in any country or countries foreign to the United States and all extensions, renewals and reissues thereof; and ASSIGNOR hereby authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents of the United States, such official of the United States whose duty it is to issue plant variety protection certificates, and any Official of any country or countries foreign to the United States whose duty it is to issue patents, plant variety protection certificates, breeder's rights certificates, seed registrations and seed certifications to issue the same to the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

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AND ASSIGNOR HEREBY covenants and agrees that ASSIGNOR will communicate to the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, any facts known to ASSIGNOR respecting the Varieties and the Germplasm and said Applications, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said Varieties and Germplasm in all countries.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, ASSIGNOR hereunto sets its hand and seal this 30th day of May, 1990.

NORTHRUP KING CO., a Delaware corporation

(corporate seal)

by: The Area

State of Minnesota)

County of Hennepin)

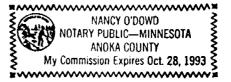
On this 30th day of May, in the year 1990, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public for the State of Minnesota, personally appeared to me <u>Newt Schulce</u>, personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person who executed the within instrument as <u>President & CEO</u> of Northrup King Co. and acknowledged to me that he executed it as a free act on behalf of Northrup King Co. with authority to do so.

(Notarial Seal)

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

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SCHEDULE 1.2

Cotton Varieties

Variety Name	U. S. Plant Variety Certificate Number	Issue Date
Coker 130	Applied for	
Coker 139	8700070	12/18/87
Coker 208	8300082	09/29/83
Coker 304	7700024	12/21/78
Coker 308	None	
Coker 310	7100021	01/18/74
Coker 315	8000087	12/18/80
Coker 320	Applied for	
Coker 420	7900087	01/29/80
Coker 3131	8100019	09/24/81
Exp. 84-828	None	
Exp. 610-8907	None	
KC-311	Applied for	
KC-380	8700069	06/30/87
McNair 210	7100090	06/24/74
McNair 220	7600077	07/19/77
McNair 235	None	
McNair 511	7200095	05/21/74
McNair 612	7400023	03/06/74

ASSIGNMENT OF FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC PATENTS AND PLANT VARIETY REGISTRATIONS AND PROTECTION CERTIFICATES

WHEREAS, SANDOZ LTD., ("ASSIGNOR"), is the owner of all right, title and interest in the cotton seed lines listed in Schedule 1.2 hereto (the "Varieties") and in the germplasm related to the Varieties and in other cotton seed strains and germplasm which it has licensed to or otherwise given Northrup King Co., its wholly owned subsidiary, the right to use in the United States and abroad (the "Germplasm") for which patents, breeder's rights certificates, seed registrations, seed certifications (collectively, the "Applications") have been filed in the United States and abroad.

AND WHEREAS, STONEVILLE PEDIGREED SEED COMPANY, a Mississippi corporation doing business at Old Leland Road, Stoneville, Mississippi 38776 ("ASSIGNEE") desires to acquire the entire right, title and interest in and to the Varieties and the Germplasm and the said Applications:

NOW THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNOR, does hereby acknowledge that ASSIGNOR has sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents does hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title and interest throughout the world in, to and under the said Applications, and the said Applications and all divisions, renewals and continuations thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted thereon and all reissues and extensions thereof, and all rights of priority under International Conventions and applications for Letters Patent which have been and may hereafter be filed for the Varieties or the Germplasm in any country or countries foreign to the United States, and all Letters Patent which may be granted for the Varieties or the Germplasm in any country or countries foreign to the United States and all extensions, renewals and reissues thereof; and ASSIGNOR hereby authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents of the United States, and any Official of any country or countries foreign to the United States whose duty it is to issue patents, variety protection certificates, breeder's certificates, seed registrations and seed certifications to issue the same to the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

AND ASSIGNOR HEREBY covenants and agrees that ASSIGNOR will communicate to the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representa-

CDMOBL.EXH(C 1) 05/13/90 tives and assigns, any facts known to ASSIGNOR respecting the Varieties and the Germplasm and said Applications, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said Varieties and Germplasm in all countries.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, ASSIGNOR hereunto sets its hand and seal this 30th day of May, 1990.

SANDOZ LTD.

(corporate seal)

BY: Edward C / Pole ATTORNEY IN FACT UNDER POWER Title: OF ATTORNEY DATED MAY SO, 1990

State of Minnesota

County of Hennepin

SS.

On this 30th day of May, in the year 1990, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public for the State of Minnesota, personally appeared to me <u>Faward C. Reser</u>, personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person who executed the within instrument as the duly authorized agent of Sandoz Ltd. and acknowledged to me that he executed it as a free act on behalf of Sandoz Ltd. with authority to do so.

(Notarial Seal)

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

NANCY O'DOWD

NOTARY PUBLIC—MINNESOTA

ANOXA COUNTY

My Commission Expires Oct. 28, 1993

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SCHEDULE 1.2

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Coker 304	7700024	12/21/78
Coker 308	None	
Coker 310	7100021	01/18/74
Coker 315	8000087	12/18/80
Coker 320	Applied for	
Coker 420	7900087	01/29/80
Coker 3131	8100019	09/24/81
Exp. 84-828	None	
Exp. 610-8907	None	
KC-311	Applied for	
KC-380	8700069	06/30/87
McNair 210	7100090	06/24/74
McNair 220	7600077	07/19/77
McNair 235	None	, ,
McNair 511	7200095	05/21/74
McNair 612	7400023	03/06/74

15. BOLLS: 1 = 3-4 2 Locules: 2 = 4-5 1 = NONE 1 = NONE 2 = FINELY 3 = COURSELY 3 Shape: 2 = STORM RESISTANT (LANKART 57) 1 = LENGTH = WIDTH 1 = STORM RESISTANT (LANKART 57) 3 Shape: 2 = LENGTH = WIDTH		
2 Locules: 2 = 4-5 1 = NONE 2 = FINELY 3 = COURSELY 3 5 NO. SEEDS PER BOLL 4 0 5 LINT PERCENT 3 4 MM. DIAMET Breadth: 1 = BROADER AT BASE 2 = BROADER AT MIDDLE 1 = STORMPROOF (WESTBURN 70) 1 = LENGTH < WIDTH		
1 Pitted: 2 = FINELY 3 = COURSELY 5 7 0 GRAMS SEED COTTON 2 = BROADER AT MIDDLE 1 = STORMPROOF (WESTBURN 70) 1 = LENGTH < WIDTH		
3 = OPEN (DELTAPINE 16) 3 = LENGTH > WIDTH		
16. BRACTEOLES:		
Breadth: 1 = LENGTH < WIDTH 2 = LENGTH = WIDTH 3 = LENGTH > WIDTH		
Teeth: 1 = FINE 2 = COURSE Teeth: 1 = 3-4 2 = 5-7 3 = 8-10 4 = OTHER (Specify)		
17. YIELD: Compared to-		
PERCENT LESS THAN		
PERCENT MORE THAN 1 6 = ACALA SJ-1 7 = LANKART 57		
18. FIBER LENGTH (Complete one or more of the following and give the means):		
0 5 4 SPAN LENGTH 50% 1 2 0 SPAN LENGTH 2.5% U.H.M. LENGTH 2.5%		
MEAN LENGTH 3 6 STAPLE LENGTH 32nd INCHES		
uniformity ratio (MEAN/U.H.M.) 4 5 UNIFORMITY INDEX (50% SPAN/2.5% SPAN)		
19. FIBER STRENGTH AND ELONGATION:		
0 8 5 1,000 P.S.I 0 7 0 ELONGATION E		
4 4 0 MICRONAIRE READING 1 1 6 Min. Spin 2 2 0 STILOMETE		
20. DISEASE: (0 = Not Tested, 1 = Susceptible, 2 = Resistant) 3. Tolerant		
3 VERTICILLIUM WILT 3 ROOT KNOT NEMATODE 1 BACTERIAL BLIGHT (Race I)		
1 BACTERIAL 0 ASCOCHYTA 0 PHYMATOTRICHUM ROOT ROT 0 RHIZOCTONIA		
0 ANTHRACNOSE 0 RUST OTHER (Specify)		
21. INSECT: (0 = Not Tested, 1 = Susceptible, 2 = Resistant)		
1 BOLL WEEVIL 1 APHID 1 FLEAHOPPER 1 LEAFWORM		
1 FALL ARMYWORM 1 GRASSHOPPER 1 LYGUS 1 PINK BOLLWORM		
1 STINKBUG 1 THRIP 1 CUTWORM 1 SPIDERMITE		
OTHER (Specify)		

REFERENCES: The following publications may be used as a reference aid for the standardization of terms and procedures for completing this form:

- (1) Brown, Harry B., and J. O. Ware, 1958, Cotton, McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc., New York.
- (2) Lewis, C. F., and H. H. Ramey, Jr., 1971, 1970 Regional Cotton Variety Tests, ARS 34-130, United States Department of Agriculture.

COLORS: Nickerson's or any recognized color fan may be used to determine flower color of the described variety.

INSTRUCTIONS

GENERAL: Send an original copy of the application, exhibits and \$250.00 fee to U.S. Dept. of Agriculture, Agricultural Marketing Service, Grain Division, National Agricultural Library, Beltsville, Maryland 20705. (See Section 180.175 of the regulations and rules of practice.) Retain one copy for your files. All items on the face of the form are self-explanatory unless noted below.

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- Give the date the applicant determined that he had a new variety based on (1) the definition in Section 41(a) of the Act and (2) the date a decision was made to increase the seed.
- Give (1), the genealogy, including public and commerical varieties, lines, or clones used, and the breeding method. (2), the details of subsequent stages of selection and multiplication. (3), the type and frequency of variants during reproduction and multiplication and state how these variants may be identified and (4), evidence of stability.
- Give a summary statement of the variety's novelty. Clearly state how this novel variety may be distinguished from all other varieties in the same crop. If the new variety most closely resembles one or a group of related varieties; (1) identify these varieties and state all differences objectively; (2) Attach statistical data for characters expressed numerically and demonstrate that these differences are significant; and (3) submit, if helpful, seed and plant specimens or photographs of seed and plant comparisons clearly indicating novelty.
- characteristics, for which you have adequate data.
- Describe any additional characteristics that are not described, or whose description cannot be accurately conveyed in Exhibit C.

 Use comparative varieties as is necessary to reveal more accurately the description of characteristics that are difficult to describe; such as; plant habit, plant color, disease resistance, etc.

14A If TYES" is specified (seed of this variety be sold by variety name only as a class of certified seed) the applicant may NOT reverse his affirmative decision after the variety has either been sold and so labeled or published or the certificate has been issued. However, if the applicant specifies "NO", he may change his choice. (See Section 180.15 of the Regulations and Rules of Practice.)